

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4488
ANSWERED ON:17.04.2001
SMUGGLING OF TIMBER
THAAWAR CHAND GEHLOT

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of persons arrested while infiltrating from neighbouring countries during 1998-99 and 2000 and till date;
- (b) the number of persons involved in smuggling from across the border alongwith the details of goods seized;
- (c) whether the Government are aware of the smuggling of timber worth crores of rupees along the Indo-Nepal border; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government to check this menace?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

- (a) to (d): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.